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MEMORANDUM FOR:

FROM : Admiral Turner

SUBJECT : Middle East NIE

Thank you very much for your very helpful memo on the Middle East NIE. Would you now, in coordination with George Cary, prepare for me a draft letter to Senator Stone from Florida on the following lines:

a.

b.

- c. Indicate Churba's paper does not bear on the NIE or the OSD/ISA paper; further, that Churba's dissenting views are annotated in the NIE and the pros and cons of them. Also indicate your points in the bottom of paragraph 5 that Churba apparently was not constrained in any way in making his dissents known.

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- d. Also add that I intend to keep my eye on this entire problem, I appreciate his alerting me to it, and that in the future I will make every effort to ensure that contrary views are presented in any estimates such as these, etc.



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